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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116**  
**Expedited Procedure--Examining Group Art Unit 2632**

Attorney's Docket No. 24-0481/30019  
Client's Docket No. P1976US00

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No. 10/646,162 )  
First Named Applicant: KEITH C THOMAS )  
Filed: 8/22/2003 )  
For: ALTERNATIVE HARD DRIVE ACTIVITY INDICATOR )  
TC/A.U.: 2632 )  
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Sir:

In response to the Final Action mailed March 15, 2006, and in order to place this case in condition for immediate allowance or in better form for appeal, applicant hereby requests the entry of the following amendment to the application:

Amendments to the Specification: None.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings: None.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.

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